



IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of

Confirmation No. 5877

Naoya SHIBATA et al.

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Group Art Unit 1796

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Examiner Ling Siu Choi

FLUORESCENT SUBSTANCE- OR CONTRAST MEDIUM-CONTAINING LATEX POLYMER PARTICLES, AND A PROCESS TO PRODUCE THE SAME Mail Stop Amendment

RESPONSE

THE COMMISSIONER IS AUTHORIZED TO CHARGE ANY DEFICIENCY IN THE FEE FOR THIS PAPER TO DEPOSIT ACCOUNT NO. 23-0975.

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

Responsive to the Office Action of October 9, 2007, constituting a requirement for restriction between (I) claims 1-9, and (II) claims 10-15, Applicants hereby elect the subject matter of Group I, i.e. claims 1-9.

This election is made while reserving Applicants' rights under 35 U.S.C. §121 to file a divisional application for the non-elected subject matter of claims 10-15.

Action on the merits is requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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